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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES RELEASES SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT REPORT FOR 2003

BALTIMORE, MD (April, 2004) -- Copies of the Department of Human Resources Social Services Block Grant Annual Report for Federal Fiscal Year 2003 (October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003) are now available in the local departments of social services in each Maryland county and in Baltimore City.

Beginning in October 2003, Maryland received approximately \$31.9 million in Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) funds. These funds, combined with other federal, state, and local funding, provide a wide range of social services for Maryland residents. Some of the services included are: Adoption; Adult Protective Services; Foster Care; In-Home Aide Services; Intensive Family Services; Purchase of Child Day Care; and Services to Families with Children.

Federal law requires the SSBG report be written to explain program eligibility, the number of people served, the amount of funds spent and the way service is provided.

Questions or comments regarding the report or its availability should be addressed to:

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